

# **Global Tamil Forum**

# உலகத் தமிழர் பேரவை

# GTF News Update 31<sup>st</sup> January 2015 to 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015

# --GTF IN THE MEDIA--

THE SUNDAY LEADER \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

Ban on Diaspora Will Remain

< http://www.thesundayleader.lk/2015/02/01/ban-on-diaspora-will-remain/ >

COLOMBO GAZETTE \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

No move to lift ban on diaspora

< http://colombogazette.com/2015/02/01/no-move-to-lift-ban-on-diaspora/ >

#### --NEWS--

THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*
Withdraw Proposal to Send Tamil Refugees Back to Sri Lanka: MDMK

< http://www.newindianexpress.com/states/tamil\_nadu/Withdraw-Proposal-to-Send-Tamil-Refugees-Back-to-Sri-Lanka-MDMK/2015/02/01/article2647477.ece >

THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

Ensure Safe Return of Refugees to Sri Lanka

< http://www.newindianexpress.com/editorials/Ensure-Safe-Return-of-Refugees-to-Sri-Lanka/2015/02/02/article2647560.ece >

THE HINDU \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

With change in Sri Lanka, US eyes deeper ties

< http://www.thehindu.com/news/international/world/with-change-in-sri-lanka-us-eyes-deeperties/article6848147.ece >

INDIA TIMES \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

New Sri Lanka president Maithripala Sirisena to visit India on February 16

< <a href="http://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/politics-and-nation/new-sri-lanka-president-maithripala-sirisena-to-visit-india-on-february-16/articleshow/46088682.cm">http://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/politics-and-nation/new-sri-lanka-president-maithripala-sirisena-to-visit-india-on-february-16/articleshow/46088682.cm</a> >

#### **BBC**

Tamil Sripavan appointed Sri Lanka's top judge

< http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-31068699 >

COLOMBO GAZETTE \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

C V Wigneswaran backs K. Sripavan as the Chief Justice

< http://colombogazette.com/2015/02/01/wigi-backs-k-sripavan-as-the-cj/ >

THE GUARDIAN \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

James Packer's crown loses gloss as he's dealt out of the casino game in Sri Lanka

< http://www.theguardian.com/business/2015/feb/02/james-packers-crown-loses-gloss-as-hes-dealt-out-of-the-casino-game-in-sri-lanka >

THE GUARDIAN \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

Sri Lanka tells James Packer: 'Do not come to our country in your lifetime'

< http://www.theguardian.com/world/2015/feb/02/sri-lanka-tells-james-packer-do-not-come-to-our-country-in-your-lifetime >

THE SUNDAY TIMES \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

More disclosures on previous Govt's private army

< http://www.sundaytimes.lk/150201/columns/more-disclosures-on-previous-govts-private-army-132645.html >

COLOMBO TELEGRAPH \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

Rs. 157 Million Spent For Entertainment in Presidential Palaces In Nov/Dec

< https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/rs-157-million-spent-for-entertainment-in-presidential-palaces-in-novdec/ >

COLOMBO GAZETTE \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

Karunanidhi briefed on Sri Lanka

< http://colombogazette.com/2015/02/02/karunanidhi-briefed-on-sri-lanka/ >

THE ISLAND

Ruwan to check ground situation in North & East this week

< <a href="http://www.island.lk/index.php?page\_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code\_title=118741">http://www.island.lk/index.php?page\_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code\_title=118741</a>

ASIAN MIRROR \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Tissa Attanayake Arrested Over Forged Signatures** 

< http://www.asianmirror.lk/news/item/6802-tissa-attanayake-arrested-over-forged-signatures >

DAILY MIRROR \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

Gotabhaya hands over two baby elephants

< http://www.dailymirror.lk/62623/gotabhaya-hasn-t-held-baby-elephants-illegally-dep-minister >

THE ISLAND

SLFP Organiser calls for independent domestic war crimes probe

< http://www.island.lk/index.php?page cat=article-details&page=article-details&code title=118795 >

COLOMBO TELEGRAPH \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

Finding Lasantha's Killers: 'Question Mahinda Rajapaksa First' Says Lasantha's Brother Lal < <a href="https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/finding-lasanthas-killers-question-mahinda-rajapaksa-first-says-lasanthas-brother-lal/">https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/finding-lasanthas-killers-question-mahinda-rajapaksa-first-says-lasanthas-brother-lal/</a> >

DAILY MIRROR \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

Customs unearth a millions of rupee BOI scam

< http://www.dailymirror.lk/62641/customs-unearth-a-millions-of-rupee-boi-scam >

THE NATION \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

'We are legit' - CSN insists

< http://www.nation.lk/edition/news-online/item/37963-%E2%80%98we-are-legit%E2%80%99-%E2%80%93-csn-insists.html >

COLOMBO GAZETTE \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**UN** pushes for credible process

< http://colombogazette.com/2015/02/01/un-pushes-for-credible-process/ >

DAILY MIRROR \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Robin Hood's Plum Tax** 

< http://www.dailymirror.lk/62653/robin-hood-s-plum-tax >

#### THE SUNDAY TIMES \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

#### GSP Plus concessions likely again

< http://www.sundaytimes.lk/150201/news/gsp-plus-concessions-likely-again-133346.html >

#### PIRU.GOV.LK

# UK encouraged by Sri Lanka's renewed desire for reconciliation and long-term peace

< http://www.priu.gov.lk/news\_update/Current\_Affairs/ca201501/20150131uk\_encouraged\_by\_sll\_renewed\_desire\_reconciliation\_and\_long\_term\_peace.htm >

# THE SUNDAY LEADER \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

# "Corruption in Police the Highest Ever!" – Minister John Amaratunga

< http://www.thesundayleader.lk/2015/02/01/corruption-in-police-the-highest-ever-minister-john-amaratunga/ >

# ASIAN MIRROR \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

# Faizer Mustapha to Officially Resign On Monday

< http://www.asianmirror.lk/news/item/6776-faizer-mustapha-to-officially-resign-on-monday >

# ADA DERANA \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

#### Kamalesh Sharma arrives in Sri Lanka

< http://www.adaderana.lk/news/29639/kamalesh-sharma-arrives-in-sri-lanka >

#### **DAILY NEWS**

#### No arbitrary arrests of people unlike during Rajapaksa regime- Justice Minister

< http://www.dailynews.lk/?q=local/no-arbitrary-arrests-people-unlike-during-rajapaksa-regime-justice-minister >

#### **GULF NEWS**

# There is still hope for Sri Lanka's minorities

< http://gulfnews.com/opinions/editorials/there-is-still-hope-for-sri-lanka-s-minorities-1.1448916 >

# DAILY MIRROR \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

#### My brothers asked not to attend rugger practice-Namal

< http://www.dailymirror.lk/62613/o-attend-rugger-practce-namal >

#### THE SUNDAY LEADER \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

# **HRCSL Alerts New Government**

< http://www.thesundayleader.lk/2015/01/25/hrcsl-alerts-new-government/ >

#### THE ISLAND

#### UK tells SL: Release North & East land

< http://www.island.lk/index.php?page cat=article-details&page=article-details&code title=118638 >

# THE HINDU \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

# "We will go back, only if assured of safety"

< http://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/we-will-go-back-only-if-assured-of-safety/article6841315.ece >

#### **CEYLON TODAY**

#### Massive financial scams at Sri Lanka Tourism under probe

< http://ceylontoday.lk/90-83110-news-detail-massive-financial-scams-at-sri-lanka-tourism-under-probe.html >

# HUFFINGTON POST \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

# What's Next for Sri Lanka's Mahinda Rajapaksa?

< http://www.huffingtonpost.com/taylor-dibbert/whats-next-for-sri-lanka b 6568088.html >

# **CEYLON TODAY**

# Shoes for the IDPs to return to their original places!

< http://ceylontoday.lk/69-83579-news-detail-shoes-for-the-idps-to-return-to-their-original-places.html >

# THE SUNDAY TIMES \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

# **Bribery Commission receives over 300 complaints**

< http://www.sundaytimes.lk/150201/news/bribery-commission-receives-over-300-complaints-133278.html >

# THE SUNDAY TIMES \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

# The scandal of the Cheap Justice

< http://www.sundaytimes.lk/150201/columns/the-scandal-of-the-cheap-justice-133137.html >

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